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TO AMEMBASSY LAGOS IMMEDIATE
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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 105967

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, OVIP (YOUNG, ANDREW)

SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S TRIP TO AFRICA

REF: LAGOS 5247

1. DEPT DISAPPOINTED THAT AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S STOP IN LAGOS MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE. DEPT SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED AT PRESS BRIEFING MAY 9 AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S INTENTION TO STOP IN LAGOS ON MAY 13. WE HOPE NIGERIANS WILL CONTINUE TO CONSIDER ALLOWING THE VISIT.

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2. IF, HOWEVER, NIGERIANS CONFIRM THAT TRIP IS IMPOSSIBLE, YOU SHOULD INFORM AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S PARTY IN ABIDJAN IMMEDIATELY. WE WOULD PREFER THE PARTY TO ANNOUNCE CHANGE IN SCHEDULE FROM ABIDJAN. WE ENVISAGE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT BECAUSE OF UNAVAILABILITY OF FOREIGN MINISTER GARBA, WHO WE INCORRECTLY ASSUMED WOULD BE IN LAGOS BUT IN FACT WILL BE TRAVELLING TO BRAZIL,

AMBASSADOR YOUNG WILL STOP IN LAGOS AT SOME FUTURE DATE. HE WILL, OF COURSE, BE CONSULTING WITH NIGERIAN PERMREP HARRIMAN, AT THE MAPUTO CONFERENCE. YOU SHOULD COORDINATE SUCH A STATEMENT WITH AMBASSADOR JOLAOSO TO GUARD AGAINST INCONSISTENT ANNOUNCEMENT BY FMG.

3. FYI: AMBASSADOR YOUNG HAS SIGNED ORIGINAL OF LETTER FROM PRESIDENT CARTER INVITING GEN OBASANJO TO VISIT THE US IN OCTOBER. AMBASSADOR YOUNG WOULD DELIVER THE LETTER, IF POSSIBLE, WHILE IN LAGOS. TEXT OF LETTER BY SEPTEL. END FYI.

4. IF NIGERIAN STOP FALLS THROUGH, OVERNIGHT FOR MAY 13 WILL HAVE TO BE RESCHEDULED. SINCE HOTEL SPACE IN ACCRA WILL BE DIFFICULT, PARTY MAY FLY DAY EARLY TO LISBON. PARTY WILL ADVISE. CHRISTOPHER

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